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11. (C) On June 27 we delivered reftel non-paper regarding the June 30 - July 1 initial meeting on Earth and space science between NASA and the China National Space Administration (CNSA) to Georgiy Barsegov, Space Affairs Officer, Department of Security Affairs and Disarmament, MFA. Barsegov said he was very pleased that we had notified the GOR prior to the meeting. He asked several questions regarding the nature of the meeting and to clarify the proposed discussions. Barsegov took particular note of the paper on the Chinese ASAT test that the U.S. would provide to Chinese counterparts. Barsegov stated that he hoped the USG would continue to keep the GOR informed of the outcomes of any future NASA - CNSA meetings.

12. (C) Moscow NASA representative also delivered the reftel non-paper to Alexander Medvedchikov, Deputy Head of Roscosmos. Medvedchikov noted that China is too big and too important to ignore. He thanked us for the non-paper and said that Roscosmos appreciated being informed in advance of NASA's discussions with the CNSA.

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